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## A CUSTOMS CONGRESS

WILL BE CONVENED IN NEW YORK SATURDAY.

Result of the International American Conference in Mexico Last Winter.

Secretary Shaw will make the opening address of the international customs congress, which convenes in New York Saturday. The purpose of the congress is to recommend customs regulations and laws which shall be uniform throughout the countries lying to the south of the United States, and delegates from nearly every one of these countries are to be in attendance on the congress. The congress is directly the result of the second international American conference which met in the City of Mexico last winter, when resolutions providing for the congress were adopted.

The adoption of these resolutions was considered by many of the delegates to the conference to be the most important result of their deliberations, as it was a step in the direction of bringing the American republic together in closer commercial rela-

Purpose of the Congress.

The name "customs congress" has created the impression in some quarters that the question of customs tariff rates will be considered. The congress will have nothing whatever to do with the subject of tariff rates in any of the countries represented. Its functions were clearly defined by the resolutions adopted by the conference. By these resolutions the congress is charged with the duty of adopting means for bring-ing about, as far as it is practicable to do so, the adoption by the governments of the countries represented of uniform and simple methods of custom house procedure and uniform and simple systems of port regulations and charges. It is to consider measures for securing the adoption in tariff schedules and laws of a common nomenciature of the prod-ucts and merchandise of the American republics, to be issued in English, Spanish, Portuguese and French, so that it may become the basis for the statistical data of exports and imports. It is also to provide for the organization of a permanent inter-national American customs commission. which as a dependency of the international bureau of the American republics or other-wise, shall be charged with bringing about the execution of the resolutions and decis-ions of the congress and the consideration of the customs laws of the several countries for the purpose of suggesting changes

with regard to custom house formalities tending to facilitate mercantile traffic.

There will be a preliminary session of the congress tomorrow, at which no formal business will be transacted, as several of the delegates must attend President Roosevelt's dinner to the diplomatic corps tomorrow evening and cannot be present. morrow evening and cannot be present. The first business session will be held Saturday, when, after an address of welcome by Mayor Low, Secretary Shaw will deliver a opening address, which will be responded to by one of the foreign delegates. anent organization will then be

# The Countries Represented.

The list of delegates, as far as they have been communicated to the international bureau of the American republics, contains representatives of Bolivia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Venezuela and the United States. The delegates to represent the United States are Wm. H. Lincoln, president of the Boston chamber of commerce; Kenneth Barhert of Marshal of commerce; Kenneth Barnert of Marshal Field & Co., Chicago, and Robert B. Armstrong, private secretary to the Secretary of the Treasury, who has been selected to succeed Mr. Spaulding as assistant secretary of the treasury. Morris K. Jesup, who had been appointed to represent the New York chamber of commerce will not New York chamber of commerce, will not be able to serve and, at his suggestion, Gustav H. Schwab has been appointed in his

It is expected that other countries, in addition to those named above, will appoint representatives at the last moment, probably their consular representatives in New York or members of their legations in Washington. The only country that has Washington. The only country that has declined to send representatives is the Argentine Republic. This is not surprising to those who appreciate the resentment that is felt by the government of that country on acount of the failure of the United States Senate to ratify the reciprocity treaty which was negotiated between the Argentine Republic and the United States. This resentment was made very apparent by the Argentine delegates to the conference in Mexico, and the representative of that country who served on the committee which drew the resolutions providing for the customs congress took a pessimistic view of the prospects of the pessimistic view of the prospects of the congress. The Argentine delegation finally voted for the resolutions, but without displaying any disposition to help the con-

playing any disposition to help the congress along.

Whether the congress is to be productive of good or not will probably depend upon the degree of success which may attend the efforts to have the several countries adopt its recommendations. It has no authority of course, to bind any country.

### CHAFFEE ADMITTED HIS FAULT. Too Sharply Criticised German Soldiers for Looting in China.

The publication of an interview with Attorney General Griggs in which he recalled an unpleasant passage between General Chaffee and Field Marshal Waldersee of Germany while the allies were acting in China in 1900 gave rise to an energetic search of the official records here. It appears that while the published reports descriptive of the Chinese campaign make no reference to such an incident, it was actually the case that General Chaffee vehemently protested against the German loot-

mently protested against the German looting of Chinese observatories.
Under date of December 5, 1960, General Chaffee telegraphed the War Department from Pekin that he had sent a note to Count Waldersee calling attention to the desceration of the astronomical observatory by German soldiers. General Chaffee told the German field marshal that the United States government would not have countenanced an act of such barbaric character on the part of its soldiers, and he knew it would not be willing to let pass unnoticed a similar act done by soldiers of a noticed a similar act done by soldiers of a foreign nation with which the United States arms was allied for a common purpose. He therefore desired to "respectfully protest" against the vandalism of the German

den's cabinet here, with the result that Secretary Root sent a cable message to General Chaffee that the President deeply tted the severity of the language used din in his letter to Count von Walder-

Though the records do not disclose the fact, it is known that General Chaffee sub-sequently came to an amicable understanding with the field marshal, admitting that he had gone beyond his rights in criticising the soldlers of another nation.

Annual Election. on election held Monday last the wars' Title and Guaranty Insurance Cor pany elected the following officers and

SEED DISTRIBUTION. Secretary Wilson's Report to Con-

The Secretary of Agriculture has sent to Congress a report upon congressional seed distribution for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1902, in compliance with the requirements of the act appropriating for his department. The total appropriation for this work was \$270,000, of which sum \$247,232.12 was expended for seeds, plants, labor, etc., in the congressional distribution proper, and \$18,463.30 was expended as authorized by law for the introduction and dissemination of rare seeds and plants from foreign countries.

"The securing of all miscellaneous vegeta-ble and flower seeds and the packeting and mailing of the same," says the Secretary, "were provided for in a contract with the Henry Philipps Seed and Implement Company of Toledo, Ohio. The contract provided for 37,29,816 packets of vegetable seed and 1,000,568 packets of flower seed, all to be put up or assembled in packages of five packets each and to be mailed under the direction of the department. Besides this contract, arrangements were made for the handling of cotton seed, tobacco seed, lawn grass seed, sugar beet seed, sorghum seed, forage crop seeds, bulbs, trees, grapevines and plants by the various offices of the bureau. In the case of all these special seeds efforts were made to secure varieties of promise and to place them in localities where they would improve the agricultural

conditions prevailing therein."

In order to properly handle the large quantities of seeds required in connection with this work it was essential that a building, conveniently located and properly arranged, should be secured. No such build-ing was available, and consequently arrangements were made by the Henry Philipps Seed and Implement Company with a local firm for the erection of a building according to place erection. cording to plans satisfactory to the Secretary of Agriculture. This building was erected near the department grounds, was well lighted and heated, and in every way adapted to the work.

## TESTS WERE SATISFACTORY. Cipher Messages Sent by Wireless Te-

legraphy From Annapolis.

The conclusion of the final tests of the De Forest wireless telegraph system, which the board of experts on wireless telegraphy has been conducting the past few days between the navy yard here and the Naval Academy at Annapolis, occurred late yesterday afternoon, and as a result of the tests, it is stated, the Navy Department will purchase the entire outfit from the American De Forest Wireless Telegraph Company. When the Prairie returns from the naval maneuvers, sea tests will be continued from that boat and from Annapolis.

The members of the board present at the examination of the system were Lieutenant commander Arnold, chairman of the board; Lieutenant Commander Jayne, Lieutenant Hudgens and Lieutenant Commander Hogg. Ten cipher messages were sent from Annapolis, and an equal number from this city, and it is stated there was only one error in the total number. The speed of transmission obtained was thirty-five words a minute, and the members of the board express themselves as greatly pleased with the showing that the American system has made. Four foreign systems have been fested from this same range by the Navy Department, and it is said that only one was able to cover the distance, and this one only after two weeks of careful tuning. The De Forest system required no tuning whatever, and operated successfully from

Lieutenant Commander Hogg of the navy has perfected some inventions in electrical syntony to prevent the interference of simultaneous wireless messages, which are regarded as of particular importance in the new science, and these inventions have been acquired by the De Forest company.

Dr. De Forest has announced that the De Forest company has already begun the construction of two long-distance wireless stations at Cape Hatteras and Block Island, 300 miles apart. From these two stations coasting steamers will be kept con-stantly in touch with land. The Hatteras station will be of especial value to mariners on account of the frequent storms met near

# THE WORLD MARKET.

International Trade From Ancient Times to the Present.

On the subject of international trade routes and the world market Dr. John Franklin Crowell of the treasury bureau of statistics gave his second lecture yesterday afternoon in the course of ten on commercial geography and international trade, before the School of Comparative Jurisprudence and Diplomacy of the Columbian University. The historical development of the world market was traced by showing that a line drawn from Singapore to Gibraltar represented the backbone of the world's trading area in ancient times. The valleys of the Nile and the Euphrates, together with the Mediterranean, the Arabian and the Indian seas, comprised the chief movements of the world's commerce down to the fall of the Roman empire. During the 1,000 years which followed this event the world market bulged out in two directions-northward over the central and northern portion of Europe, and southward around Africa. The geographical area of the world's trade was thus extended to an extraordinary degree by reason of its increased dependence upon water routes of trade. Medieval commerce is closely connected with that of an-cient times through Constantinople. To this center oriental trade converged and from this point the line of traffic ran overland up the Danube, thence across by way of Nuremburg, and down the Rhine to the

But the chief centers of medieval com-merce were at the western end of the Medi-terranean, and included the cities of Venice, Genoa, Marseilles and Barcelona. From these ports of rivalry overland routes reached the German ocean. By concentration of warehousing facilities at Venice, the

tion of warehousing facilities at Venice, the northern nations helped to make this city the mistress of the Mediterranean.

Modern times bring a new element into the world market. Ancient and medieval commerce were overland, river traffic and coasting trade, but modernity annexed the oceans, and made itself master of these as highways of commerce. In round numbers there are fifty different geographical groups of peoples. each of which enjoys to some degree an conomic life of its own, and constitutes one of the important organic units of the world's trading life. The volume of the world's commerce, measured in dollars, has been variously reported as from \$29,000,000,000 to \$25,000,000,000 annually, including both immerces and \$20,000,000,000 to \$25,000,000,000 annually, including both imports and exports. The competition among nations is for a share of this enormous service. Altogether there are 1,335 steamships engaged in carrying the trade of the United States to the different divisions of the world, comprising 4,030,-000 tens registry.

# Capitol Hill Literary Society.

The Capitol Hill Literary Society met Monday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Leitch, 221 5th street southeast. Dr. Henry Baker gave a lecture on "India." The speaker wore the handsome costume of an Indian prince, and gave an account of his travels in that country, with descriptions of the places visited, the history and manners and customs of the peo-

The remainder of the program was as fol-

ON THE RIVER FRONT

VESSELS BOUND HERE DETAINED BY ICE IN RIVER.

Work at the Boat Yards-Tug Pride in Service-General Marine

News.

Several vessels are at Virginia lumber

ports and at river points loading cargoes for this city, but cannot come here until the ice is broken. The schooner Sidonia Curley is loading lumber at Norfolk, and the schooner Quinby at Clearmont, Va., for H. L. Biscoe, and the schooner Clara Leonard with wood for Carter & Clark, and the schooner Isabelle with wood for Robert Murphy are in Nomini creek. The schooner Irene is loading for this city at Beale's wharf. In consequence of the ice in the river it is stated a large schooner bound to the Potomac with phosphate rock will now go to Baltimore, her master being unwill ing to take chances of being frozen in here. Bass of both Virginia and North Carolina stock, with some shad and herring, were on sale at the 11th street oyster wharf this morning, and the demand was fair. Prices this morning were as follows: For pan ro 10 to 12c. per pound; medium rock, 15 to 16c. per pound; boiling rock, 20 to 25c. per pound; Spanish mackerel, 10 to 12c. per pound; spanish mackeret, 10 to 12c. per pound; salmon trout, 7 to 7½c. per pound gray trout, 6 to 7c. per pound; flounders, t to 6c. per pound; Potomac black bass, 13 to 15c. per pound; North Carolina black bass 10 to 12c. per pound; North Carolina black bass, 10 to 12c. per pound; bluefish and tailors, 10 to 12c. per pound; green pike, 7 to 9c. per pound; white perch, 12 to 15c. per pound; white perch, small, 20 to 50c. per bunch; catfish, large, 20 to 35c. per bunch; catfish, small, 10 to 15c. per bunch; sheepshead 6 to 8c. per pound; yellow perch 20 head, 6 to 8c. per pound; yellow perch, 2 to 40c. per bunch; carp, 15 to 40c. each; eels 5c. each; Florida roe shad, 90c. to \$1 each buck shad ,50 to 60c. each, and herring, 8c

The supply of oysters at the 11th street oyster wharf was augmented yesterday af-ternoon by the arrival of one vessel lader with a good cargo of Rappahannock stock aboard. The demand continues fair and prices are about the same as yesterday ranging from 75c. to \$1.25 per bushel, ac cording to quality.

The sand and gravel digging machines which have been at work above the Long bridge have all been taken into the tidal

basin, not far from the old bathing beach, for harbor from the storms of winter. General Matters.

The harbor police boat Vigilant will be taken to Bennett's boat vard, at the foot of 11th street, tomorrow and will be hauled out on the marine railway there to have her ice breaking plow put in position. While on the railway some minor repairs will be made to the hull of the Vigilant and she will be out of commission for a short time only.

The damage done the pilot house of the steam yacht Giavota by the bowsprit of the pungy Maggie L. running into it dur-ing a heavy gale last week, is being re-paired by workmen from Bennett's boat yard and before the end of the week the yacht will be again in good order. Bennett has one of the large power

launches of the coast survey service at his boat yard, foot of 11th street, for a general overhauling. The launch is to be made ready for service in Port Tobacco creek in the early spring.
The Weems line steamer Potomac, which

came into port this morning from Balti-more and the tributaries of the Potomac near its mouth, found but little ice in the lower part of the river, but ran into packed ice from Cedar Point to this city. The three-masted schooner Mary Lee Patton, which unloaded a cargo of Florida

boards to protect her hull while towing to Baltimore through the drifting ice. She left here this morning behind the tug M. The tug George W. Pride, which has been boiler and machinery overhauled, is again in commission. She is lying at the ferry line wharf at Alexandria.

The caulking of the large seineboat built by Cumberland & Son for Captain William Neitzey has been completed and the boat has been painted. She will be put overboard in the early spring.

The two-masted schooner Samuel Wood

came into port yesterday evening in tow of the tug Camilla, with a load of oysters for this market. She is lying at the wharf foot of 11th street. The ram schooners Grace Bennett and Harlan W. Huston are lying at the wharf of T. W. Riley, frozen up. They will leave for North Carolina ports as soon as the

weather will permit. The ferry steamer Belle Haven was with-drawn from her route on the Alexandria ferry line yesterday in consequence of the heavy ice in the river.

# WORK OF IRRIGATION.

What It Has Accomplished for the West.

Guy E. Mitchell, secretary of the National Irrigation Association, has returned to this city from an extended tour of the arid region. Mr. Mitchell attended the national irrigation congress at Colorado Springs early in October and then visited the principal irrigated sections of Colorado, Arizona and California.

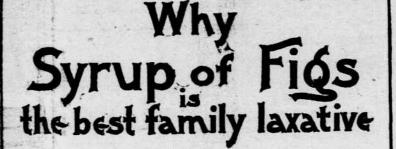
"If one keeps in mind while traveling through the western half of the United States," said Mr. Mitchell, "that practically the entire development has come through irrigation, he begins to realize of what importance it is, not only to the west, but to the entire country. Take away the eight million irrigated acres from the arid west and what would remain? Only the veriest skeleton. If the watered acres were dried up, many a factory in New England would shut down, because practically every manufactured supply used by the west is

drawn from the east.

"Irrigation is known as the sure science of farming, since the grower does not have to watch anxiously for rain, or rush his crops under cover to escape a storm. Nevertheless, irrigators have their troubles, too. The southwest has suffered from a series of 'dry years,' and the water supply from the mountains has been very scant, so that many orchards and fields have suffered severely from water shortage. However, this has in reality been a not unmixed disaster; indeed, I heard a gentleman in southern California declare that it had been for some sections a blessing in disguise, since it had stimulated search after underground water sources and the discovery of subterranean rivers whose existence beneath the arid surface of the land had never been suspected. Certain it is that thousands of little fruit ranches and homes are today supplied with water pumped from wells by small oil engines or electricity generated by mountain tor-rents, which years ago depended upon sur-

face ditch water.

"Interest is rife throughout the west on the question of the proposed government irrigation works. With about \$15,000,000, immediately available for the construction of government reservoirs, the western states realize that at lest patients.



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LIBRARY ASSOCIATION MEETS. Career of Linnaeus Reviewed - Mr.

Carnegie's Recent Offer. At the regular monthly meeting of the District of Columbia Library Association the first literary feature, after the transaction of routine business, was a paper by Mr. Theodore W. Koch on recent events in the library world. Beginning with a brief survey of libraries in the District and commenting on Mr. Carnegie's recent generous gift of \$350,000 for branch libraries, Mr. Koch turned naturally to the discussion of branch libraries in general and their success in other cities, showing how usefully

they complement the work of a central Mr. Koch then spoke of traveling libraries, pointing out that the failing interest in this branch of library work in New Jeriterature, questioning, at the same time, if were the establishment and growth of the Tabard Inn and Book Lover's library, with the new Book Lover's Magazine, Mr. Sey-mour Eaton's latest venture, and a brief reference to the select and valuable dra-matic library recently presented by Mr. John Drew to Harvard University. The speaker closed by reading in extenso the letter from John Morley to the chancellor of the University of Cambridge, presenting to that institution the famous Acton library.
Mr. J. Christian Bay of the Library of Congress was the principal speaker of the evening and chose for his topic "The Career of Linnaeus." Two centuries ago, Mr. Bay said, the career of a scientist was in some respects more attractive and less arduous than at present. Any single science, being then in an early stage of develop-ment, might be mastered in its main outlines without very great labor, while to-day the man scarcely exists who can call himself master of a single science.

Linnaeus, like many another man of genius, was unfortunate in his education. His parents long labored with him in the endeavor to have him become a minister of the Gospel, but his theological tutors soon gave him up in despair, as he was ever more fond of roaming fields and collecting specimens than of conning his books. In medicine, however, Linnaeus succeeded better than at his theological studies, and having trained himself diligently at the universities of Lund and Upsala he en-

joyed for several years a highly lucrative medical practice at Stockholm. Travel in foreign lands had many attractions for the famous naturalist, who spent much of his life in Holland, where most of his works were produced, besides visiting France and Denmark.

In regard to his literary activity, the great precocity of his mind naturally arrests the attention. Before he was twentyfour years of age most of his works had been planned or well sketched out, and some actually brought to completion. His greatest service to science lay in bringing order out of chaos by systematizing the great mass of botanical knowledge colected by his predecessors and contempo-

### GERMANY NOT AFTER PANAMA. Formal Assurance Given Regarding the Isthmian Canal.

A dispatch from Berlin yesterday says: The German government has sent a note to the United States relative to the report that Germany is seeking to acquire Colombia's interests in the Panama Canal Company.

The note affirms that the report is utterly baseless, and, it is understood, expresses the opinion that Germany's commerce would be benefited by the construction of the canal by the United States.

It is learned at the State Department that Ambassador Tower has received from the German foreign office an unequivocal denial of the statement that found some currency a few days ago, to the effect that the German government was endeavoring to secure control of the Panama canal franchise. The ambassador's advice did not credit the German government with any feeling for or against the canal enterprise, but it is gathered that the state of the public mind in Berlin, certainly in commercial circles, is favorable to American construction because of the benefits expected to accrue to German shipping engaged in trade on the Pacific and on the west coast of South America. currency a few days ago, to the effect that of South America.

It is said at the State Department that there is no change in the status of the negotiations with Colombia respecting the canal. Great impatience is exhibited at the delays and the failure of Colombia to

rents, which years ago depended upon surface ditch water.

"Interest is rife throughout the west on the question of the proposed government irrigation works. With about \$15,000,000, immediately available for the construction of government reservoirs, the western states realize that at last national irrigation is actually a fact.

"With the great consumptive power of the immense and growing west and the urgent demand of the orient for food products the traveler realizes that the products of irrigation from the western irrigated farms will never come into competition with the lands or products of the farmer of the eastern states."

The Torpedo Boats Reach Key West.

The torpedo boat fiotilla which took part in the maneuvers in the Caribbean has arrived at Key West, en route to Hampton Officers\_J. A. MacGel president: George
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## GAITHERSBURG NEWS. Robert Andrews Dies Suddenly-First

National Bank Election. Special Correspondence of The Evening Star

GAITHERSBURG, Md., January 14, 1903. Mr. Robert Andrews died suddenly at t o'clock this morning. He was an attorney practicing in the courts of this county and the District of Columbia, and was in usual attendance, more than a hundred members health and at his office in Washington yesterday. After his return home in the evening he took dinner and walked to the post office for his mail. While sitting there an attack of acute indigestion made him critically ill, and Dr. Haddox and other friends not stand for re-election, and there was a afforded him temporary relief, later taking him to his home on Summit avenue. Early this morning a second attack of indigestion terminated in death before his physician could reach his bedside. Mr. Andrews and his family are well known in this county, ilterature, questioning, at the same time, if the latter is of nearly so high a grade as that furnished by the traveling library. Other matters touched on by Mr. Koch were the establishment and growth of the Tabard Inn and Book Lover's library, with the new Book Lover's Magazine, Mr. Seyther the same time, if the sam held its annual election at the banking house yesterday and the following were house yesterday and the following were selected as board of directors: Nathan Cooke, John B. Diamond, Ignatius T. Fulks, S. S. Hays, Albert F. Meem, Philemon M. Smith, H. Maurice Talbott, Dr. William A. Waters, Horace D. Waters, James S. Windsor, Capt. James Anderson, I. Belle Ward, Ulysses Griffith, Clarence H. Hoskinson, Dr. E. C. Etchison and J. Wesley Walker. The latter two directors were newly elected, Messrs. James E. Ayton and Somerset O. Jones having declined re-election on account of ill health. Subsequently the board elected the following officials: President, Mr. John B. Diamond: officials: President, Mr. John B. Diamond vice president, Mr. H. Maurice Talbott cashler, Mr. Robert B. Moore; assistant cashler, Mr. James E. Trundle; clerk, Mr.

Arthur Hogan.
A quiet wedding took place this evening at the home of Mrs. Benjamin Thompson, near Ashton, her daughter, Miss Nettle, and near Ashton, her daughter, Miss Nettle, and Mr. Herman P. Millard being the contracting parties. Rev. H. C. Smith, pastor of the Methodist Church at Ashton, was the officiating clergyman. Owing to the recent death of the bride's father only the immediate relatives of the contracting parties witnessed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Millard left for their new home near Laurei, where the groom is engaged in business. where the groom is engaged in business. Dr. E. Henning Etchison, executor, sold at public sale, near Quince Orchard, vester day, the personal property of the late Mrs. Annie Small, to settle her estate. The sale was largely attended and good prices were paid for the stock and other property.

# HYATTSVILLE AND VICINITY.

J. W. Stephens, Navy Yard Employe, Instantly Killed by Express Train. special Correspondence of The Evening Star. HYATTSVILLE, Md., January 15, 1903.

As Mr. John W. Stephens was crossing the Baltimore and Potomac railroad track at Landover about 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon to take a local train for Washington he was struck by an express train bound for Baltimore and instantly killed. Undertaker Gasch took charge of the remains, which will be removed to Anne Arundel county for burial Friday.

An inquest was deemed unnecessary. The deceased was forty-two years old and was employed as a machinist at the navy yard. He leaves a wife. He resided on the Shipley property on the Annapolis road.

The East Hyattsville Improvement Association held a meeting at Mr. Little's residence and permanently organized. A brief constitution, drafted by the secretary, was adopted. The following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year: John F. Little, president; W. A. Thomas, vice president; W. Brooke, Hunter, secretary; Ernest A. Sikken, treasurer. The question of pro-A. Sikken, treasurer. The question of pro-viding lights was discussed and Mr. Thomas was requested to interview a Baltimore firm and secure a bid for lamps. A committee was appointed, consisting of the president, secretary and Mr. F. S. Martin, to call upon the property owners who were not members and invite them to join the association.

dence of Mr. Sikken Monday, the 26th instant. The regular meetings will be held the first Monday in each month. A sociable was given at the parsonage of the M. E. Church South Tuesday evening. A fine musical and literary program was presented, and refreshments were served. The proceeds were for the benefit of the

church.

Mr. Arthur Carr has sold the property of James Stevens, consisting of 3½ acres in East Riverdale, to E. D. F. Brady of Washington: also the property of Harry B. Major, at Littlefield and Wine avenues, to J. B. Waters of Hyattsville.

Rev. J. W. Rawles and family, who have been visiting relatives at Savage Crossing. Va., will return Saturday. Mr. Rawles will occupy the pulpit of the Baptist Church Sunday at both services.

The Moccasin Accepted.

The acting secretary of the navy has accepted the submarine torpedo boat Mocca-

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# ROCKVILLE AND VICINITY. Exhibit of Receipts and Expenditures

of Fair Association. Special Correspondence of The Evening Star.

ROCKVILLE, Md., January 14, 1903. The annual meeting of the members of the Montgomery County Agricultural Society was held here today, with a large being present. President Lee Offutt occupied the chair. Considerable interest was manifested in the election of a board of directors. Messrs. Arthur Williams and Samuel E. Eastburn of the old board did contest for their places, Messrs. Harry C. Hurley, Benjamin C. Gott, Charles F. Kirk and M. D. Knight being candidates. Messrs. Hurley and Gott were successful, who, with the following old members, will constitute the board: Lee Offutt, Charles Veirs, David H. Warfield, Charles W. Fields, John H. Gassaway, Henry H. Griffith, John C. Bentley, Henry H. Miller, Josiah W. Jones, John H. Bogley.
The directors will meet next Wednesday

to choose officers. It is understood that Mr. James T. Bogiey of this place will be selected for secretary, succeeding John E. Muncaster, who has held the position for a long terms of years. The other officers, it is stated, will be re-elected.

The report of Treasurer John J. Higgins, which was approved at today's meeting, shows the following to have been the re-celpts and expenditures of the society the past year: Receipts: Balance on hand, \$131.26; premiums returned, \$5.85; purses

returned, \$42.50; mortgage loan, \$10,000; temporary loans, \$6,650; sales of admission temporary leans, \$6,650; sales of admission tickets, \$2,969.05; sales of riembership tickets, \$196; sales of grand stand tickets, \$293.75; sales of exhibitors' tickets, \$168; parcel room, \$17.40; race entries, \$408.75; poultry entries, \$280.75; privileges, \$1,019; sales of feed, \$64.16; sales of lumber and grand \$126.80; advertisement in remblets wood, \$136.80; advertisements in pamphlets, \$146.50; miscellaneous, \$278; total, \$22,-807.77. Expenditures: Premiums, \$2,371.16; race purses, \$1,726.25; employes of secretary, \$215.75; employes of treasurer, \$129; expenses of race committee, \$54.40; loan repaid, \$2,000; permanent improvements, \$13,630; President's lunch, \$98.41; salary of secretary, \$175; salary of treasurer, \$150; police and watchmen; \$93.25; feed and straw, \$207.22; printing and advertising, \$713.82; dues, trotting association, \$25; in-\$713.82; dues, frotting association, \$25; insurance, \$84; taxes and licenses, \$86.60; commissions on advertisements, \$35.70; whitewashing, \$102.50; freight and hauling, \$18.01; postage, \$99.20; music and amusements, \$382.30; judges and expenses, \$120.70; pumps and wells, \$15; merchandise, \$40.44; labor, \$90.58; miscellaneous, \$80.54; balance on hand, \$62.94.

Deputy Sheriff George Meads spent a large portion of vesterday afternoon and

large portion of yesterday afternoon and evening in the vicinity of Quince Orchard, a few miles from this place, looking for a colored man who was reported to have been acting suspiciously. It was said he would hide his face and keep one hand in his pocket when he approached a house to ask for food, and that he tried to avoid several persons who approached him. Deputy Meads visited a straw stack where it was said the man had been sleeping for several nights and thoroughly searched that section of the country, but no trace of him was discovered.

Mr. John H. Gassaway, a prominent citizen of this county, had a narrow escape from serious injury Monday afternoon. While driving from Germantown to his home, two miles distant, he heard an unusual noise behind him, and glancing back saw a six-horse team, the property of Mr. George Nicholls, running madly down the road toward him. The road where he was at the time was too narrow for him to turn off, so he whipped up his horse and dashed down the road ahead of the runaways. Upon reaching a point where the road would permit it he turned off, and just as he did so the runaway team rushed past. The wagen dashed into Mr. Gassaway's buggy and Mr. Gassaway was thrown out. He was fortunately not seriously injured, but the buggy was badly damaged. The Rockville Reading Circle held its regular monthly meeting last evening at the home of Mr. W. R. Pumphrey. The following program of discussions and papers was rendered: "Teaching Pupils in Class," A. G. Harley; "Written Exercises," Miss Lucy Garrett; "Primary Reading," Miss Lucy Hughes; "First Lessons in Reading," Miss Virgie Brewer; "Language Training," Miss Elberta Rice. Following the program refreshments were served.

for the prosecution and Rev. W. F. Miller and Mr. J. D. Payne for the defense. The case set for trial was for assault and battery. The examination of the witnesses produced considerable merriment. After argument by the attorneys the case was submitted to the jury and a verdict of not guilty rendered.

Mrs. Mary Money, wife of Edward Money, and daughter of S. W. Putman, died Tues-Virgle Brewer; "Language Training," Miss guilty rendered.

Elberta Rice. Following the program refreshments were served.

Invitations have been issued for the marday of consumption. Her funeral took place Lay Hill, this county, and Mr. William Walter Plummer of the vicinity of Wash-

#### Installation of Officers. Tuesday evening last the following named

ington Grove. The ceremony will be per-formed January 28 in the M. E. Church at

officers were installed in Fred. D. Stuart Encampment, No. 7, I. O. O. F., for the ensuing year: Chief patriarch, N. W. Bridges; high priest, E. B. Russ; senior warden, W. Gilbert Ray; junior warden, E. F. Huggins; scribe, Geo, L. Clayton; treasurer, E. W. Bradford; guide, M. B. Hundley; outside sentinel, J. L. Irwin; inside sentinel, E. D. Walker; first watch, John H. Wood; second watch, W. L. Hart; third watch, W. B. watch, W. L. Hart; third watch, W. B. Hartley; fourth watch, Joseph Pospisiel; first guard of tent, J. K. Davidson; second



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CHANGES ORDERED.

Appointments, Promotions and Trans-

fers in Public Schools. At a regular meeting of the board of edication at the Franklin building, last night, it was announced that the following changes in the schools had been approved: Appoint Martha Thomas and assign her to first grade Garrison School; Julia Brooks

and assign her to eleventh division. Promote S. B. Holland, from \$475 to \$500; L. E. H. Ballenger, from \$475 to \$500; M. L. Evans, from \$450 to \$475; B. A. Yoder, from \$450 to \$475; S. E. Dyson, fourth grade Stevens School, at salary of \$550 per annum; G. E. Tibbs, from first grade Garrison School to third grade Stevens School; M. E. Burrell, from second grade Bell

School to third grade. Transfer M. G. Lucas, seventh grade Randall School to seventh grade Bell School; J. E. Page, seventh grade at Bell School, to seventh grade at Randall School.

The resignation of Miss Ella Bruce, teacher, third grade, Randall School, was accepted. Miss H. D. Foster, kindergarten teacher, was granted leave of absence.

It was announced that the McKinley
Manual Training School will be dedicated

# Falls Church News.

January 29 with appropriate ceremonies

Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. FALLS CHURCH, Va., Jan. 15, 1903. The town council held a meeting Monday night with Mayor Walters presiding and Messrs. Crump, Thompson, Mabin, Walters and Wells in attendance. The sum of \$500 was appropriated to the three wards for street and sidewalk purposes. The bill of the registrar of the town for services ren-

dered was again deferred. The mock court held by Pioneer Lodge of Good Templars on Tuesday night attracted a large attendance of the members. Prof. E. C. Sine presided as judge, Dr. George T. Mankin as clerk and Mr. J. H. Marr as sheriff. Rev. W. H. Woolf and Mr. George W. Hawxhurst ascied as attorneys for the prosecution and Rev. W. F. Miller

riage of Miss Mary Maude Cashell, daughthis morning, the services being conducted ter of Mr. and Mrs. Hazel W. Cashell of by Rev. W. F. Miller of the M. E. Church. Interment was in Oakwood cometery.

District Lodge, No. 13, Good Templars, embracing within its jurisdiction the lodges of the order in Fairfax, Loudoun and Alexandria counties and city of Alexandria, will meet here February 10. Union services of all the churches in town were held Wednesday night in the Baptist Church and Rev. R. A. Daylson of

the Presbyterian Church preached to a large congregation.

to succeed William E. Mason in the United States Senate. The only other name to